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MEMORANDUM FOR: Assistant to the President for National  
Security Affairs

Attorney General

Deputy Secretary of Defense  
Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff  
Under Secretary of State for  
Political Affairs

SUBJECT: IDEALIST Program

In December 1969, the President approved continuation of the IDEALIST Program through FY 1971 and directed the 40 Committee to review the project again prior to consideration of the FY 1972 budget. Since budgetary planning for FY 1972 is now underway, I suggest this issue be placed on the Committee agenda in the near future.

The attached memorandum, which has been coordinated with the NRO, summarizes the pertinent facts about the program and the questions that need to be addressed.

*Dick*  
Richard Helms  
Director

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